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TELEGRAM

March 19, 2003

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Action: Unknown  
From: AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI (ABU DHABI 1337 - ROUTINE)  
TAGS: EPET, PGOV, BEXP, ENRG, ECON, EINV  
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Subject: (C) WESTERN OIL EXEC CLARIFIES COMMENTS REGARDING UAE  
OIL PRODUCTION  
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ACTION: ECON  
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DISSEMINATION: ECON  
CHARGE: PROG

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CLEARED: ECON: TWILLIAMS

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RUEHDE/AMCONSUL DUBAI 2897  
RUCPDOG/USDOC WASHDC  
RHEBAAA/DEPT OF ENERGY WASHDC  
RUEHLO/AMEMBASSY LONDON 0606  
RUEHFR/AMEMBASSY PARIS 0664  
RUEHTU/AMEMBASSY TUNIS 0488  
RUCAACC/USCENTCOM MACDILL AFB FL  
RHRMDAB/COMUSNAVCENT  
RHEHNSC/NSC WASHDC  
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DEPT FOR NEA/RA, NEA/ARP, INR/EC, EB/IEP, EB/CBA, S/CT  
AMEMBASSY TUNIS -- HOLD FSI FOR OLIVER JOHN  
USDOE FOR INT'L AFFAIRS -- COBURN, ALSO CALIENDO

USDOC FOR 1000/OC/  
USDOC FOR 4520/ITA/IEP/ONE  
USDOC FOR 4530/ITA/MAC/ONE/DGUGLIELMI  
4500/ITA/MAC/DAS/WILLIAMSON  
3131/CS/OIO/ANESA

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SUBJECT: (C) WESTERN OIL EXEC CLARIFIES COMMENTS REGARDING  
UAE OIL PRODUCTION

REF A: ABU DHABI 1086 REF B: ABU DHABI 1289

[¶1.](#) (U) Classified by Ambassador Marcelle M. Wahba, for reasons 1.5 (B) and (D).

[¶2.](#) (C/NF) A western oil executive previously commented to Econchief that the Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC) is producing about 10 percent or 200,000 barrels per day (b/d) over its current OPEC quota of 2.138 million barrels per day (mmb/d) (ref A). The western oil exec clarified on March 19 that the above-mentioned overproduction also includes an approximate 120,000-150,000 b/d of oil from Dubai.

[¶3.](#) (S/NF) Comment: This tracks well with ADNOC officials' disclosure this week that Abu Dhabi is producing 2.2 mmb/d (ref B), which combined with Dubai's production indicates that the UAE is over-producing its quota by about 200,000 barrels per day. OPEC's production quota for the UAE encompasses output from both Abu Dhabi and Dubai. However, as Dubai was not a member of OPEC at the time of the UAE's federation (1971) -- and because Abu Dhabi production is so much larger than Dubai's -- it has long been the policy here that Dubai will produce as much oil as it can, with Abu Dhabi filling the rest of the UAE's quota.

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